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Dear Sir:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R.§1.136(a)

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time to August 12, 2000 for the filing of a Response in the above-identified application.

Please deduct the extension fee of \$870.00 required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) for filing a response within three months of the August 12, 2000 due date from Deposit Account No. 19-0091. Please deduct any underpayment or credit any overpayment of fees from Deposit Account No. 19-0091. A duplicate copy of this letter is transmitted herewith for this purpose.

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